

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

"Stolen Honor" is nothing more than a campaign program to benefit the Bush-Cheney Campaign. It is very misleading, because the atrocities did occur in Viet Nam, the Nixon Administration are at fault for deliberately prolonging that war, and everything said by then-former Lt. John Kerry were and are true as they were said at the 1971 Senate Hearings. The program does not truthfully describe what happened during the Viet Nam War, is made by the press arm of the Unification Church, and does not give the Kerry-Edwards campaign any equal time.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

It is the Commission's duty to hear and require that SBG, Inc., either give the Kerry-Edwards full EQUAL TIME, or that the Commission revoke SBG's license. If the Commission does not, the new FCC should start revoking SBG's and the other Reich Wing networks on Jan. 21, 2005.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.